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All activities funded by the Louisiana Community Development Block Grant Program (LCDBG) must address one of the following two national objectives.

- Principal benefit (at least fifty-one percent) to low and moderate income persons.
- Elimination or prevention of slum and blight.

In order to meet these national objectives, the Office of Community Development has the following goals.

- Benefit low and moderate income persons.
- Eliminate or aid in the prevention of slums or blight.
- Strengthen community and economic development through the creation of jobs, stimulation of private investment, and community revitalization, principally for the benefit of low and moderate income persons.
- Provide for other community development needs with a particular urgency due to existing conditions that pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community.

An excerpt from the State's Proposed FY 2006 Consolidated Annual Action Plan is included as Part VII of this Application Package. The proposed "Action Plan does the following things:

- It summarizes and describes the LCDBG program.
- It explains funding amounts and purposes for the LCDBG program.
- It describes the rating process for applications which will be submitted.

A final "Action Plan" will be prepared in November of 2006. The final Action Plan will contain some changes.

